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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration After Final is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004 (hereinafter Final Office Action). Applicants respectfully request entry of the present claim amendments as placing the claims in condition for allowance, or alternatively as placing the claims in better condition for appeal and narrowing the issues for further consideration on appeal. In particular, Claims 1, 6, 7, and 10 have been amended herein to adopt the particular amendments requested by the Examiner to address the newly presented objections. Because Claims 6 and 8 are not rejected based on any cited references, they have been amended to independent form, including all recitations of the claims from which they depend, and are submitted to be in condition for allowance. No new issues are raised by the present claim amendments.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is

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necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.